

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) and (b) The menial and nursing staff in the District Hospitals at Alleppey and Quilon has been fixed according to the necessities felt at different times and bears almost the same proportion to the medical aid rendered by each institution. A statement* of the staff in the two institutions is laid on the table.

The Chunkam and Kothuval Chavady Bridges across the Commercial Canal, Alleppey.

232. **MR. V. J. OOMMEN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Are the Government aware.

(a) that all the bridges across the Commercial Canal except the Stone Bridge are in a damaged condition; and

(b) that owing to the delay in constructing the Chunkam and the Kothuval Chavady bridges and the damaged condition of the other bridges people are put to very great inconvenience?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) It is reported that all the bridges across the Commercial Canal, except the Kothuval Chavady bridge and the Kannenvarkey bridge, are in good condition.

(b) The Kothuval Chavady bridge is damaged and is therefore closed for traffic. The Kannenvarkey bridge is also weak and requires reconstruction. Estimates are being prepared for reconstructing these two bridges.

Need for a separate Satram for the use of the non-caste people at the Cape.

233. **MR. D. FRANCIS** (*Nominated*): (1) Are the Government aware:

(a) that people of all castes and creeds in Travancore visit Cape Comorin chiefly during the midsummer holidays, Christmas vacations, etc.; and

(b) that the Christians and other non-caste people experience much inconvenience for want of houses to accommodate them at the Cape when the local travellers' bungalow is not available?

(2) Will they be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct a separate *satram* for the use of the non-caste people at the Cape; and

(b) if the answer to part 2 (a) is in the affirmative, whether they have any idea of putting the proposal into immediate operation?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) (a) and (b) Yes.

(2) (a) and (b) There is no such proposal at present. The matter will be considered.

MR. D. FRANCIS (*Nominated*): With reference to the answer to parts 2 (a) and (b) of the question, will the member be pleased to say whether the matter of constructing a *Satram* at the Cape will be considered at the beginning of the next year?

*Vide Appendix XXXV—page 792.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The consideration will start immediately. It need not go up to next year.

District Hospital, Shertallai.

234. MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the year in which the District Hospital, Shertallai, was established;

(b) whether any buildings have been constructed for this hospital other than those that were built at that time;

(c) whether they are aware that the space available in this hospital for conducting surgical operations and for accommodating in-patients of both sexes is quite insufficient;

(d) whether representations have not been made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly and in the Legislative Council for making good this want of accommodation; and

(e) if the answer to part (d) is in the affirmative, whether they have taken any action thereon?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) The hospital has been in existence from 1867 onwards.

(b) One temporary shed has since been constructed.

(c) The Administrative Board, Medical Services, reports that additional accommodation is desirable in the institution.

(d) Yes.

(e) The Administrative Board, Medical Services, has proposed the construction of an out-patient dispensary building and certain improvement to the existing buildings of the institution. The proposals are under the consideration of the Government.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): In the answer to part (c) it is stated:

"The Administrative Board, Medical Services, reports that additional accommodation is desirable in the institution"

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): സൂക്ഷ്മമായിട്ട് പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): ഈ സംഗതി പ്രജാസഭയിൽ എത്രതവണ റെവന്യൂ സെൻറർ ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നറിയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): പല പ്രാവശ്യവും ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ച റെവന്യൂ സെൻററുചൻ അസംബിളിയിൽ ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Revenue and Account Tests Examinations.

235. MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the language in which the Revenue and Account Tests Examinations are held at present (15-11-1104) in this State;